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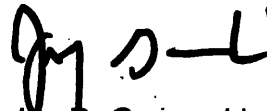
Re: MUR: 4621

Dear Ms. Abely:

I am in receipt of a letter dated July 15, 1998 from Chairman Joan D. Aikens in which she informed me that the Commission found reason to believe that the Cook 98 Re-election Committee and Avis Lewis, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b). On behalf of the Committee and Ms. Lewis, whom I represent, I hereby express interest in pursuing pre-probable cause conciliation.

In pursuit of pre-probable cause conciliation, the Committee and Ms. Lewis are compiling information designed to clarify and hopefully resolve the issues raised in the Commission's Factual and Legal Analysis which was transmitted to me with Ms. Aiken's July 15, 1998 letter. In order to assemble all pertinent information, I request a 30-day extension of time, making such information due on September 2, 1998.

Very truly yours,


Jay D. Gurmankin

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